

**Amendments to the Specification:**

Please replace the paragraph on page 1, lines 4 to 12, with the following rewritten paragraph:

This invention is related to the invention disclosed in copending patent application Serial No. 10/662,617 filed September 15, 2003, by Nitin Nayak, Fenno F. Heath III, Jenny S. Li, Hui Lei, Mitchell A. Cohen, Rakesh Mohan, Josef Schiefer, Stephen V. Stibler, Chung Sheng Li, and Maroun Touma for “A Method and System for Providing a Common Collaboration Framework Accessible from Within Multiple Applications” (IBM Docket YOR920030243US1), and assigned to a common assignee herewith. The disclosure of application Serial No. 10/662,617 is incorporated herein by reference.

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 6, line 16, and continuing to page 7, line 10 with the following rewritten paragraph:

The Collab-bar contains two user interface (UI) components that run as Internet Explorer Band Objects; the Toolbar and the Explorer bar, both of which are ATL components. The first one, the Collaboration Toolbar, is shown in Figure 2, which hosts command buttons to retrieve, manage contextual Collaboration Spaces and command buttons for authentication and configuration. In the illustration of the implementation of the Collaboration Toolbar ~~show~~ shown in Figure 2, there is first of all a contextual collaboration bar logo 21, here shown as **W3**, for “World Wide Web”, although any logo could be adopted. Next, there is a synchronize button 22 which is used to refresh the list of current contextual Collaboration Spaces, here referred to as CollabSpaces. A pull down menu 23 provides a list of CollabSpaces. When the down arrow button is pressed, the menu shows a list of contextual collaboration spaces accessible by the user, based on the current context. The Manage CollabSpaces button 24 invokes the collaboration space administrative console through which new collaboration spaces can be

created and existing collaboration spaces can be edited. Collaboration spaces can also be associated with one or more Web documents, topics and meta data. A second pull down menu 25 provides a recommended URL list. When the down button is pressed, a list of recommended URLs that are relevant to the current collaboration context is displayed. The Logon/Logoff button 26 is a toggle button used for logging onto and logging off from a collaboration space server. The Enable/Disable button 27 is a toggle button for enabling and disabling the collaboration space toolbar. Finally, the CollabSpace Bar Help button 28 is used to access general help.

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 7, line 20, and continuing to page 8, line 4, with the following rewritten paragraph:

As mentioned, the toolbar band object is essentially a COM (Component Object Model) object that exists within a Rebar Control container that holds Internet Explorer's toolbars. Being a tool band COM object, this object is registered as an OLE (Object Linking ~~an~~ and Embedding) in-process server with CATID\_InfoBand (category identification) component category. This control hosts the Internet Explorer Web Browser control, thus giving access to script parsing, rendering and browsing facilities of Internet Explorer. This makes the communication with the contextual collaboration server easier. By default, the user interface (UI) of the control is provided by the Web Browser Control. This covers the entire area of the control. The UI is rendered based on the HTML markup generated by the collaboration bar handler component of the contextual collaboration server through servlet and JSP (Java Server Page) technology.

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 12, line 26, and continuing to page 13, line 7, with the following rewritten paragraph:

The collaboration server component 81 maintains collaborative content and allows for the collaborative Web browser to interact with the collaboration

content. The collaboration server 81 can also have a miner 814 for more advanced mining. The view generator 813 is used to assemble together collaboration elements that are part of a collaboration context. The context manager 812 maintains relationships between collaboration elements and provides a mechanism to inference relationships between collaboration elements. The collaboration manager 811 also provides a mechanism to interact with various collaboration modalities, like instant messaging 82, team rooms 83, and e-meetings 84. The collaboration manager 811 additionally maintains a life cycle of collaboration spaces.